

The New Hire is the Demon Lord.

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THE DAY AFTER
THE ACCIDENT...

...WE WERE ABLE
TO GET THOROUGH
HEALTH CHECKUPS PAID
FOR BY THE GOVERNMENT.

W-WAIT!

THIS THING IS
MOVING!

WHIRR

JOLT

IS ANYBODY
OUT THERE?!

PLEASE
STAY STILL,
MA'AM!

UGH, WHY DO WE
HAVE TO GET THESE
CHECKUPS WHEN WE'RE
COMPLETELY FINE? I HAVE
A BUSINESS MEETING
TO GO TO.

WHAT?

SIGH



HAVE YOU
NOT TOLD THEM
ABOUT THE ACCIDENT?
SHOULD I?

AND I...



WOW.

LOOK AT OUR
SUPERSTAR.

OH...

CAN
I HAVE YOUR
AUTOGRAPH?!





CAN I
TAKE A SELFIE
WITH YOU?

...BECAME A HERO
OVERNIGHT.

YONGRAE IS
FAMOUS NOW,
HUH?



A person wearing a brown jacket is shown from the chest up. A speech bubble originates from their mouth. The background is a blurred indoor setting.

I JUST HOPE
IT DOESN'T GO
TO HIS HEAD.

HIS HEROICS
BECAME A SENSATION
ALL OVER THE COUNTRY,
AND KIDS ESPECIALLY ARE
TREATING HIM LIKE HE'S
A CELEBRITY.

HE'S ALREADY
GETTING REQUESTS
FOR TV INTERVIEWS.

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REALLY?

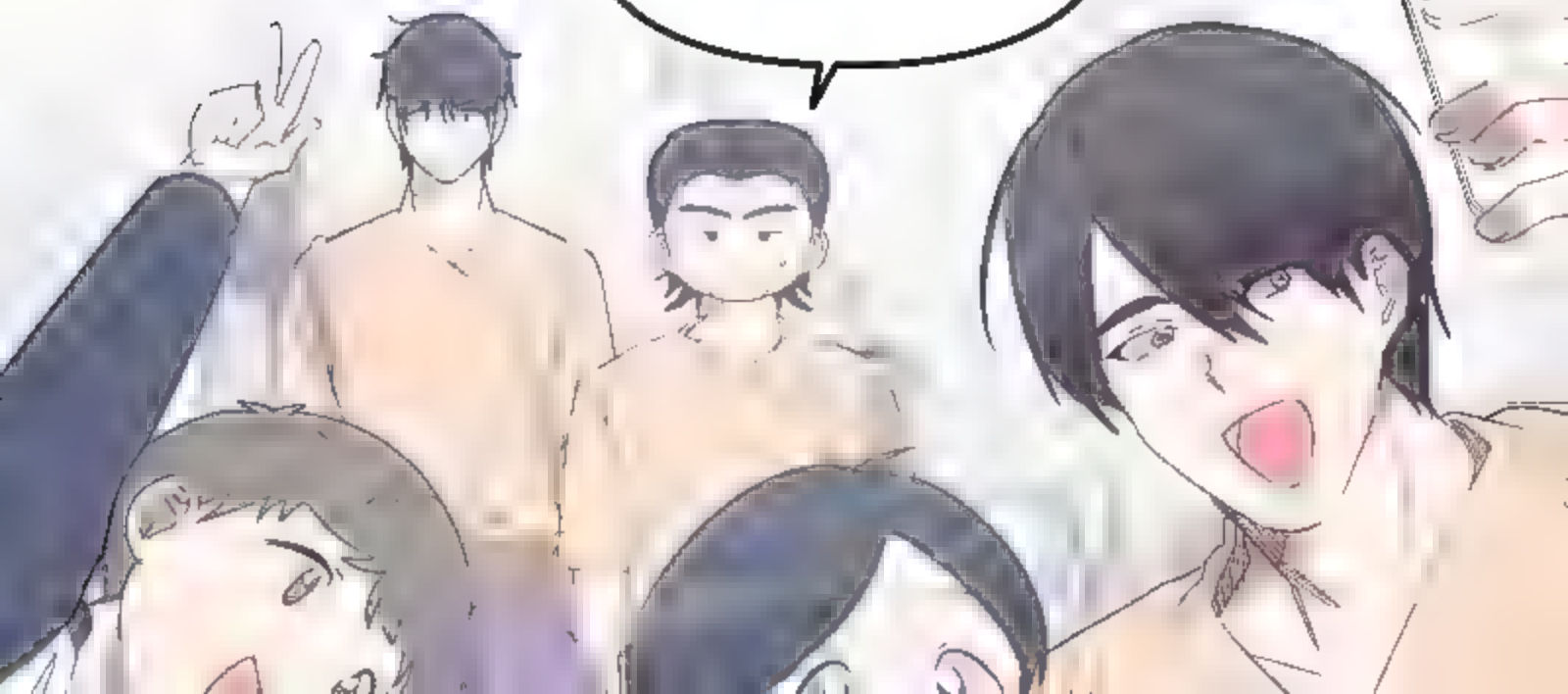
THAT'S RIGHT.
I JUST HOPE HE DOESN'T
QUIT HIS JOB AND TRIES

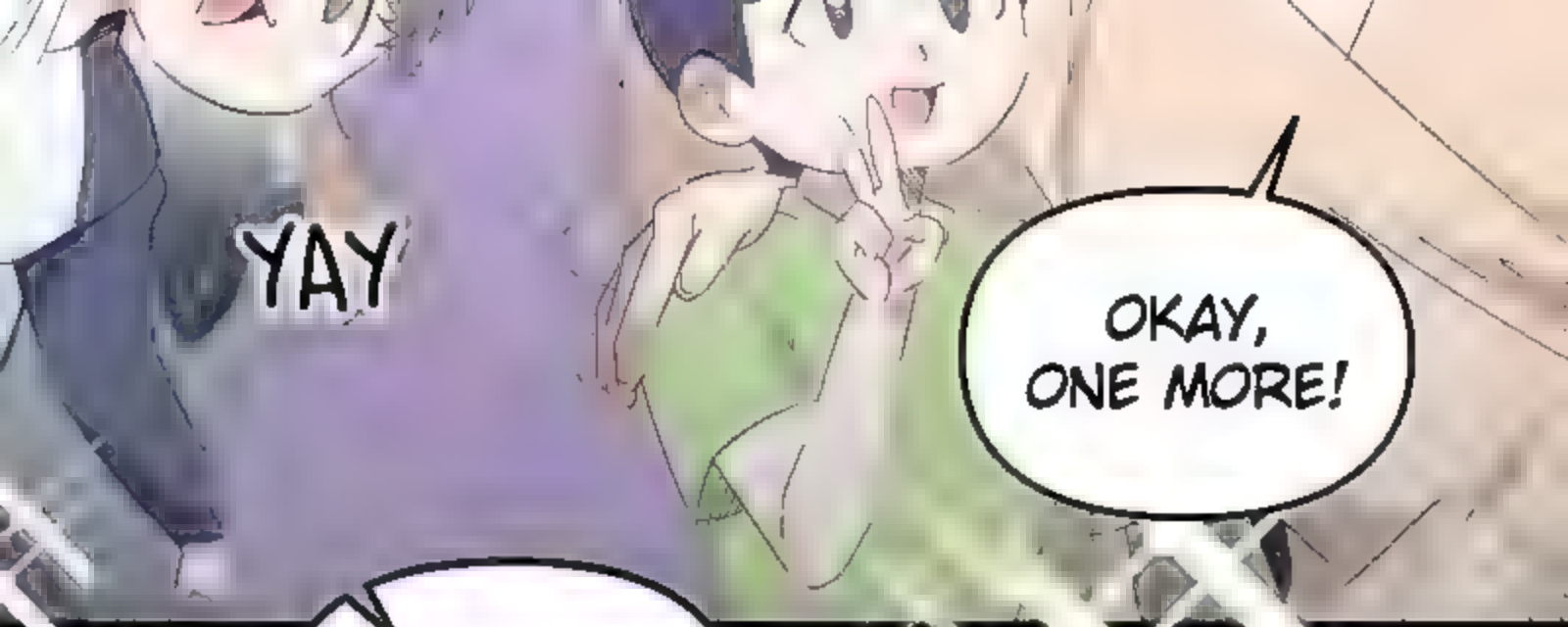
...AND YOU HAVE
TO BECOME A METUBER.

NAH,
YONGRAE DOESN'T
LIKE THAT SORT OF
THING, RIGHT?

IT LOOKS LIKE
HE DOES.

SNAP







THANK YOU
SO MUCH! YOU'RE
SO COOL!



THANKS,
KIDS...

I'M
SO DRAINED...

HEY,
SUPERSTAR!

STEP





OH, HELLO!

YOU SEEM
PRETTY HAPPY ABOUT
OUR COMPANY BUILDING

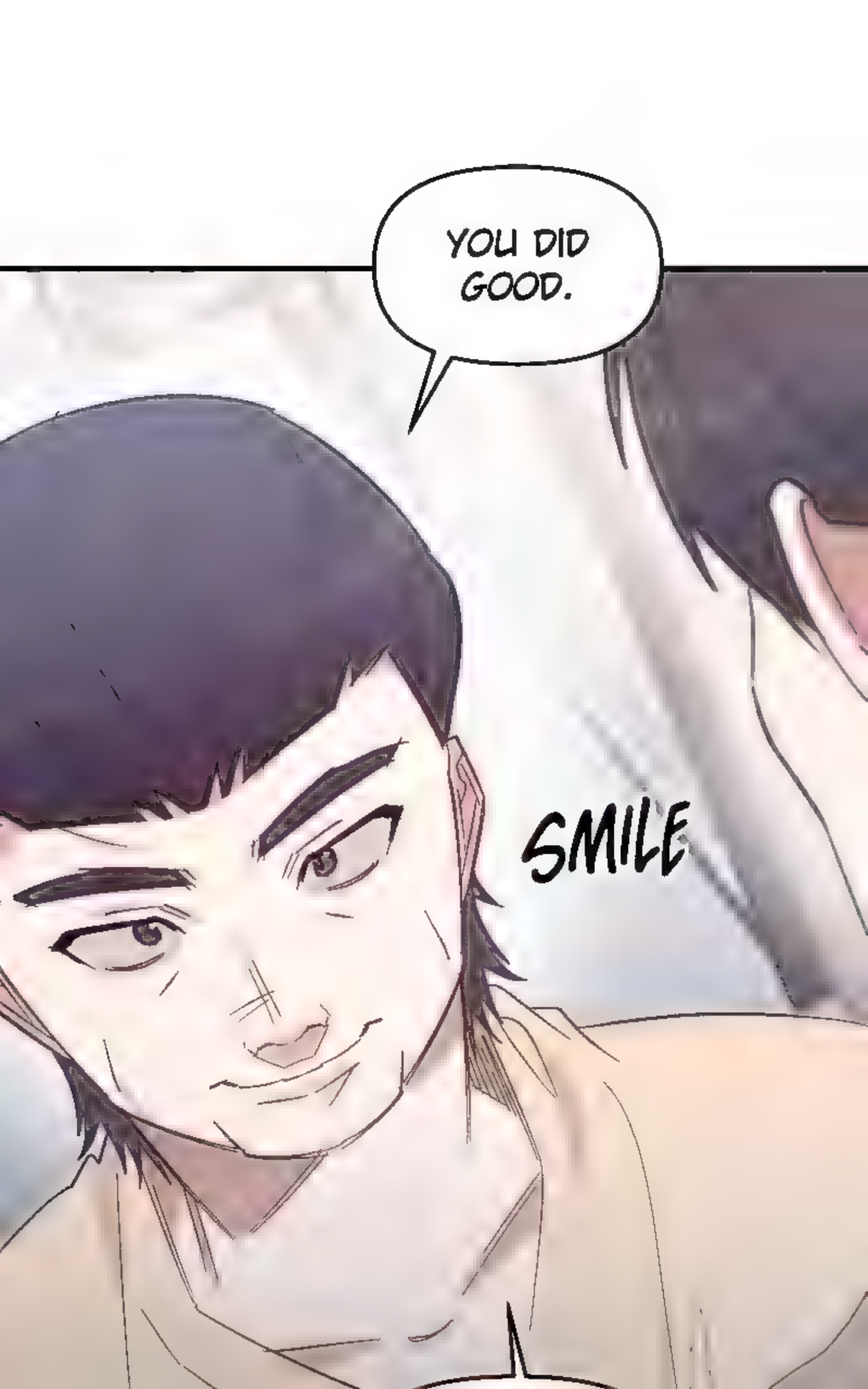
ALMOST COLLAPSING.

SWEAT

A comic panel featuring three anime-style characters. On the left, two characters are shown in profile, looking towards the right. They have dark hair and are wearing orange-brown shirts. On the right, a third character with dark hair and a similar shirt is shown from a three-quarter view, looking down with a slightly distressed or sweating expression. A speech bubble from the character on the right contains the text 'N-NO, IT'S JUST THAT THE KIDS WERE ASKING...'. Above this character, the word 'SWEAT' is written in a red, stylized font. At the top of the panel, a speech bubble from an unseen character says 'ALMOST COLLAPSING.'.

N-NO,
IT'S JUST THAT
THE KIDS WERE
ASKING...





YOU DID
GOOD.

SMILE

GETTING LAHAN
OUT OF THERE,
I MEAN.





SIR...

YOU REALLY
WERE AMAZING.
YOU CARRIED HER ALL
THE WAY DOWN,
RIGHT?

HAHA





EXACTLY!
I GUESS HE'S
STRONGER THAN
HE LOOKS.

HAHA





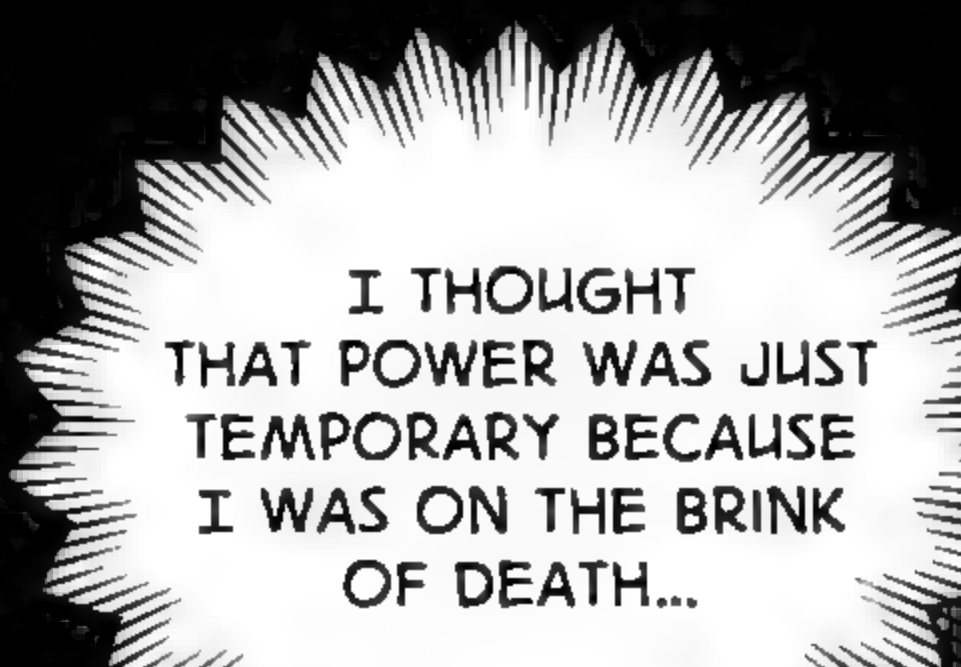
HONESTLY,
I HAVE NO IDEA
WHAT HAPPENED.



HUFF



THE
MYSTERIOUS
POWER I SUDDENLY
DEVELOPED...



I THOUGHT
THAT POWER WAS JUST
TEMPORARY BECAUSE
I WAS ON THE BRINK
OF DEATH...



LIFT



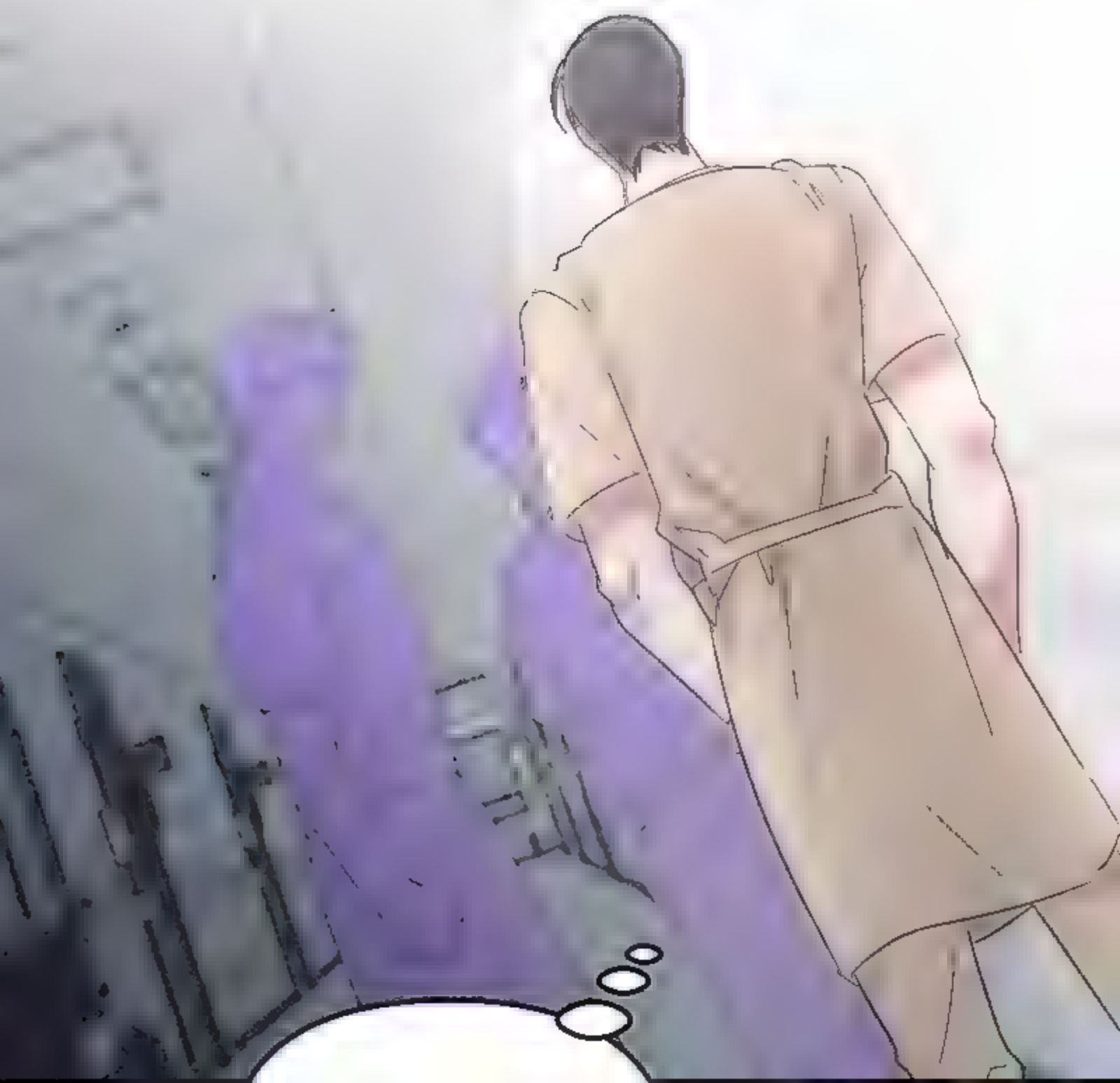
...BUT
WHEN I TESTED IT
OUT THIS MORNING,
I COULD STILL LIFT
REALLY HEAVY
THINGS.







I DON'T KNOW
WHY I SUDDENLY
GAINED THIS
POWER...



...BUT THE
KEY TO THIS IS
DEFINITELY...

...LAHAN.





THIS VIEW
DIFFERS GREATLY
FROM THE COMPANY'S
ROOFTOP.



DOES IT NOT?



I DON'T
KNOW...

STEP

DID YOU
TAKE ONE OF
THOSE MRI THINGS
AS WELL,
CUTIE?

SUJIN?

STOP

GO AWAY...

WIPE



THEY SAY YOU
CAN LOOK INSIDE
A HUMAN BODY WITH IT,
JUST LIKE X-RAY
VISION...



ARE YOU
HARD OF
HEARING?!

GO AWAY!

HARD OF
HEARING?

THAT
SEEMS RATHER
PREJUDICED
OF YOU.

I'M NOT
IN THE MOOD
FOR JOKES!



HUH?
NEITHER
AM I...

D-DON'T
SIT DOWN
NEXT TO ME!

SIT



BE MORE
RESPECTFUL
TOWARD YOUR ELDERS.
I AM A THOUSAND
YEARS YOUR
SENIOR.

SO, WHY ARE
YOU SHEDDING
TEARS?



YOU
WOULDN'T
GET IT...



YOU'RE
THE DEMON LORD,
SO I BET YOU DON'T
FEEL ANYTHING OVER
PEOPLE NEARLY
DYING...

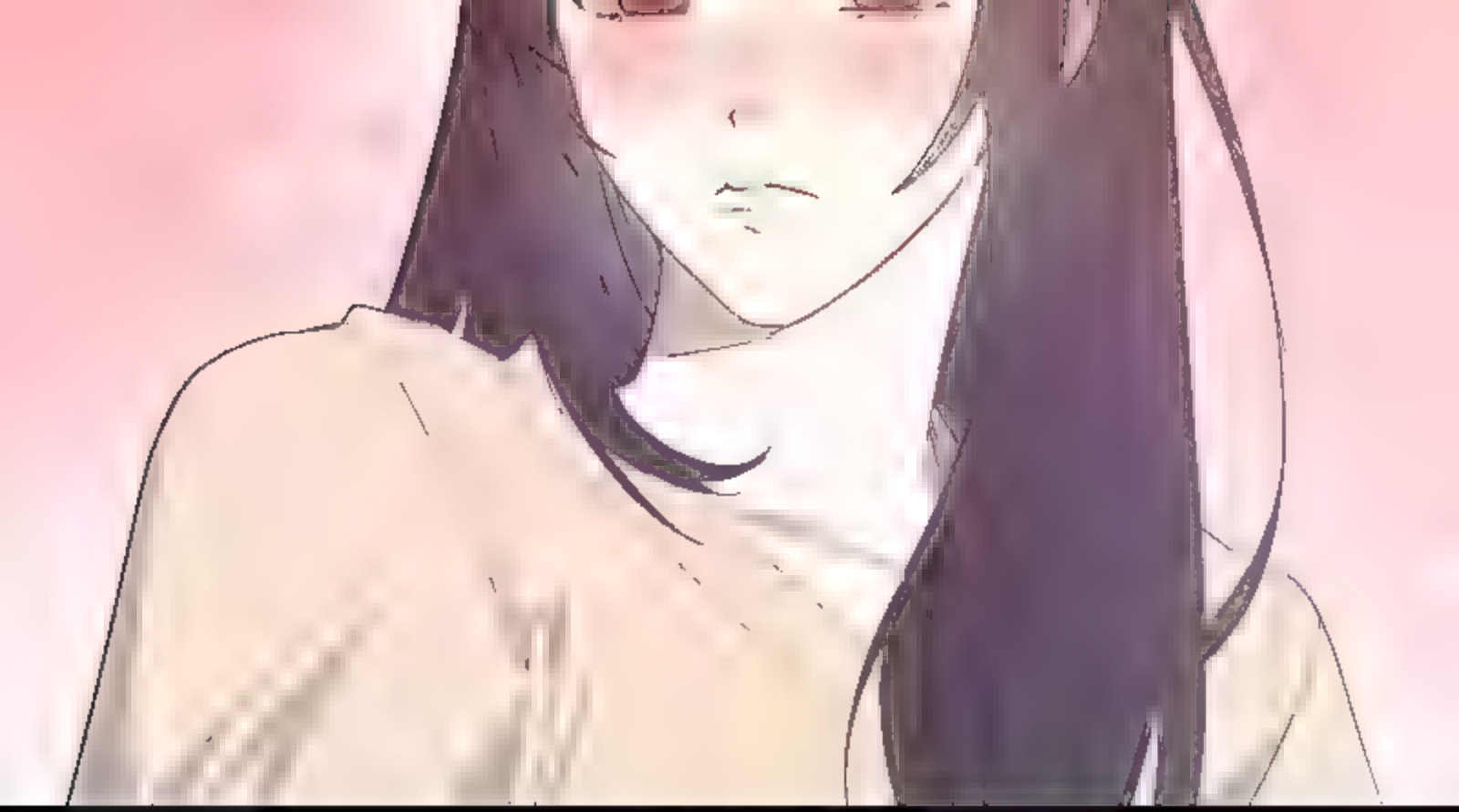
I THOUGHT
I WOULD NOT,
BUT THAT WAS NOT
THE CASE.



WHEN
YOU'RE

YONGRAE
NEARLY DIED,
I FOUND MYSELF
WAVERING.





IT'S ALL
MY FAULT...

BECAUSE OF ME,
THEY ALMOST...





EVEN YONGRAE
ALMOST DIED...

I HEARD THAT
THE BUILDING WAS
FLAGGED FOR SHODDY
CONSTRUCTION.

NO!



A comic book panel featuring a character's face at the top, partially obscured by a large speech bubble. The character has dark hair and is wearing a dark cap. The speech bubble is white with a black outline and contains the text: "IT STARTED SHAKING WHEN I COULDN'T CONTROL MY EMOTIONS!". Below the speech bubble, there is another speech bubble, also white with a black outline, containing the text: "I DEVELOPED STRANGE POWERS, JUST LIKE YOU SAID!". The background of the panel is white.

IT STARTED
SHAKING WHEN
I COULDN'T CONTROL
MY EMOTIONS!

I DEVELOPED
STRANGE POWERS,
JUST LIKE YOU
SAID!



BUT NO ONE DIED
IN THE END. IS THAT
NOT ENOUGH?

SNIFFLE

SNIFFLE



SNIFFLE

I HATE THIS.
IT'S SO SCARY...

I NEARLY KILLED
PEOPLE BECAUSE
OF MY SILLY
EMOTIONS...

IT'S ALL
BECAUSE I'M
SO SELFISH...

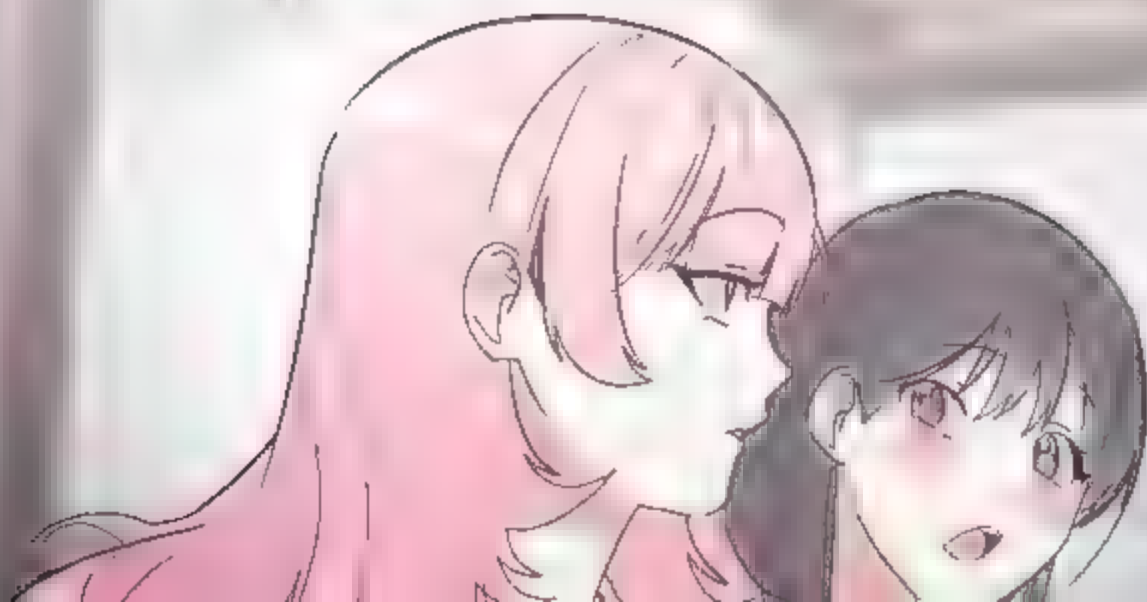
SNIFFLE



IT WAS
NOT YOUR
FAULT.



HUMANS DO NOT
HESITATE TO COMMIT
VIOLENCE, MURDER,
AND EVEN START WARS
BASED ON TRIVIAL
EMOTIONS.

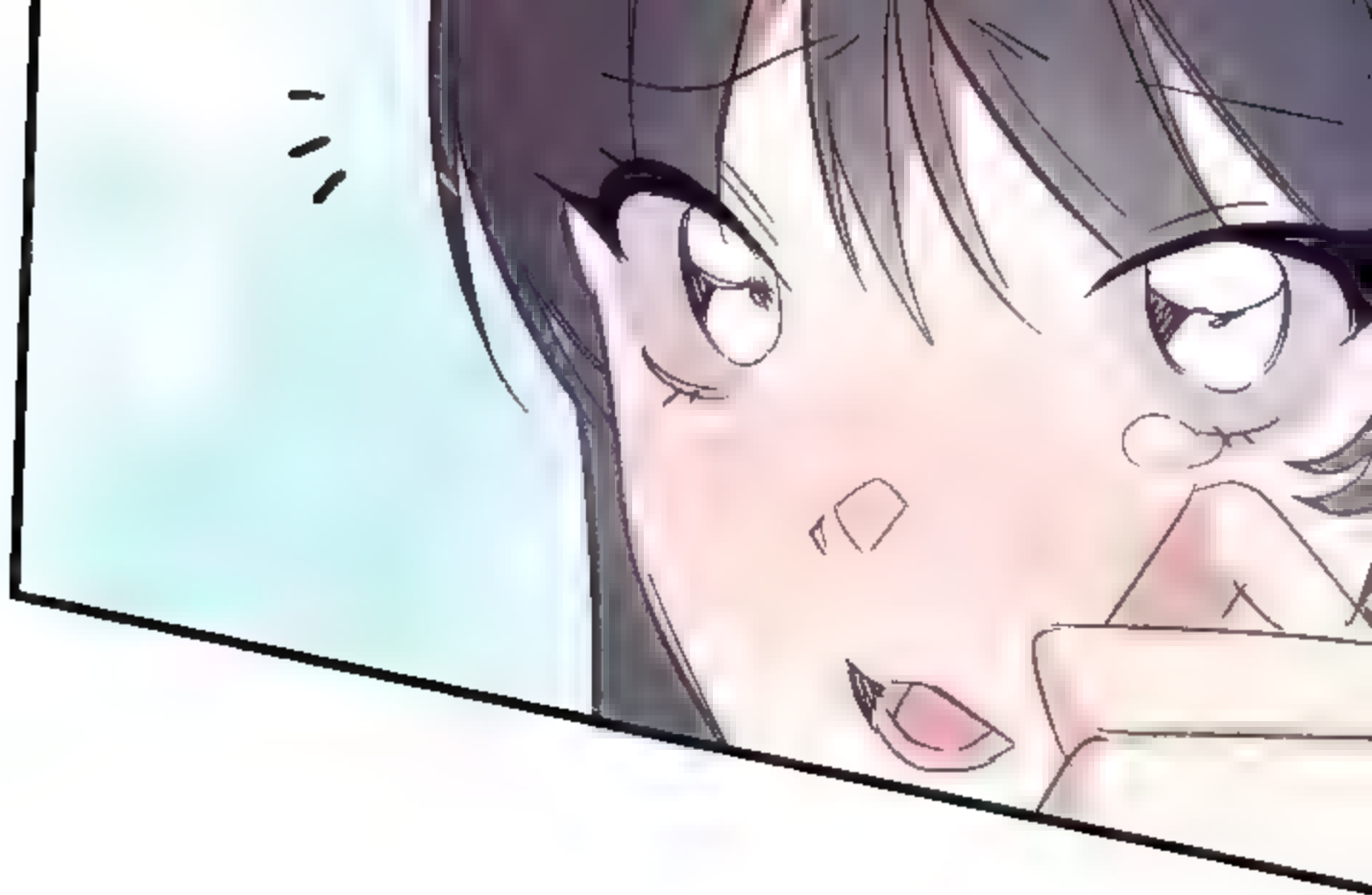




YOU FEEL THE
SAME EMOTIONS OTHER
HUMANS DO.

BUT IF THEY
CAUSE SOMETHING
LIKE THIS TO HAPPEN
AGAIN...!





THEN
I SHALL STOP IT.
I PROMISE YOU.





I WILL NOT
LET OTHERS SUFFER
BECAUSE OF MY
POWERS.







I'M NOT GOING TO
END UP LIKE JAEWON,
AM I? WILL I GROW
HORNS, TOO?

HAHA

03



I DO NOT
BELIEVE THAT
WILL HAPPEN.

IT IS A HUMAN
PRIVILEGE TO FEEL
DEEPLY PENITENT
FOR YOUR

FOR YOUR
ACTIONS.

YOU ARE STILL
AN ORDINARY
HUMAN.

SNIFFLE





CREAK



STEP

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A comic panel with a speech bubble at the top and a character's head at the bottom. The speech bubble contains the text "LAHAN... OH, SUJIN?". The character's head is at the bottom left, looking up.

LAHAN...
OH, SUJIN?

RISE



STEP

STEP



SUJIN...



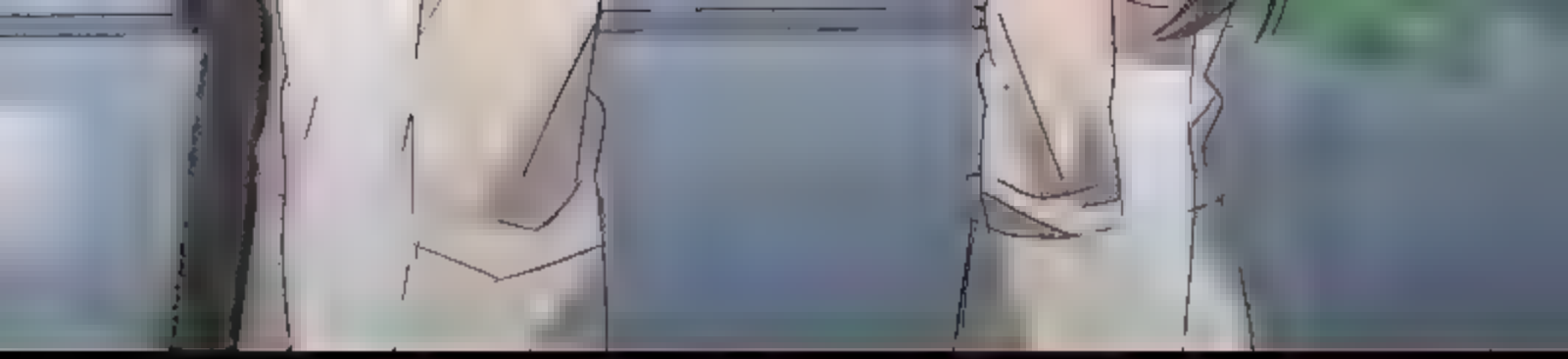








I'M GLAD
YOU'RE NOT
HURT...



...YONGRAE.

STEP

HUH?



SHE LEFT
AFTER SAYING
THAT...

CREAK



...AND I HAD
NEVER SEEN SUJIN

LOOK SO AT PEACE
BEFORE.

WHAT WERE
YOU TWO TALKING
ABOUT?

STEP

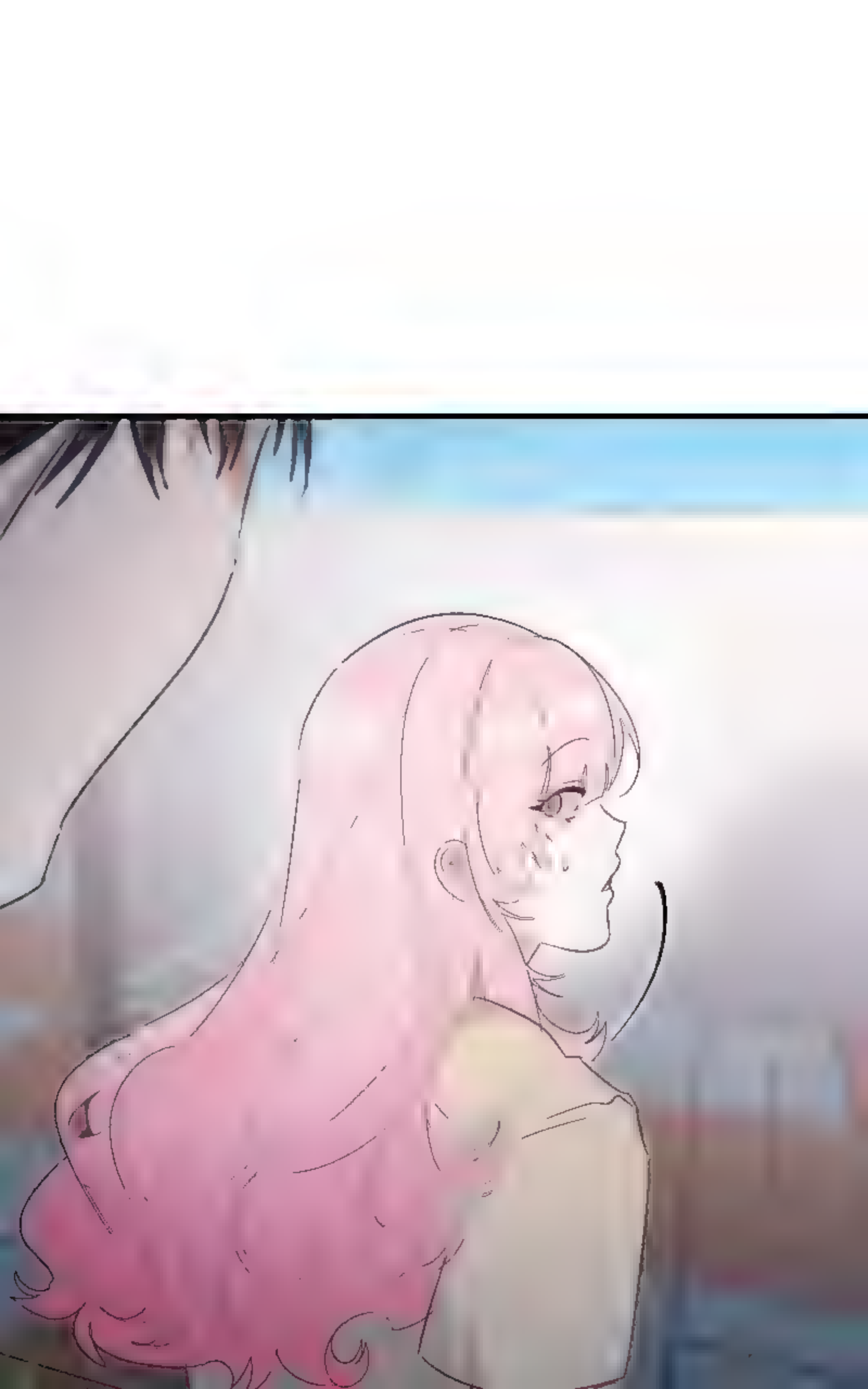


YOU KNOW...
VARIOUS THINGS...



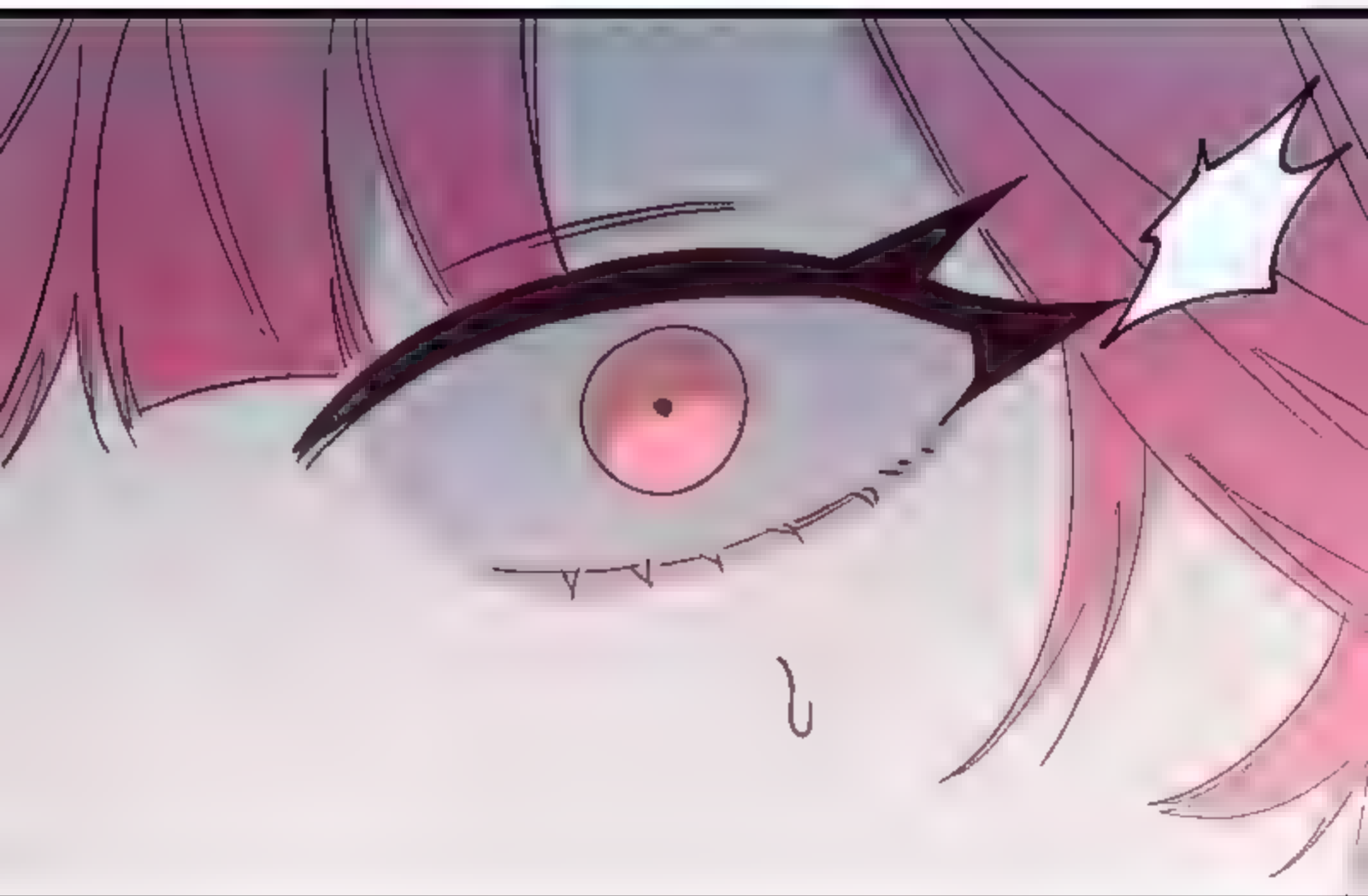
....I HAVE
TO ASK YOU
SOMETHING.

FLINCH





YOU'RE NOT AN
ORDINARY HUMAN,
ARE YOU?



H-HUH?!

WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
I SUPPOSE I AM RATHER
EXTRAORDINARY

EXTRAORDINARY...



PLEASE
TELL ME THE
TRUTH!

I DON'T
MIND WHETHER

THINK THAT NOW
YOU'RE AN ALIEN
OR SOME OTHER
CREATURE!

LOOK OVER
THERE, A CROW!
HAHA...

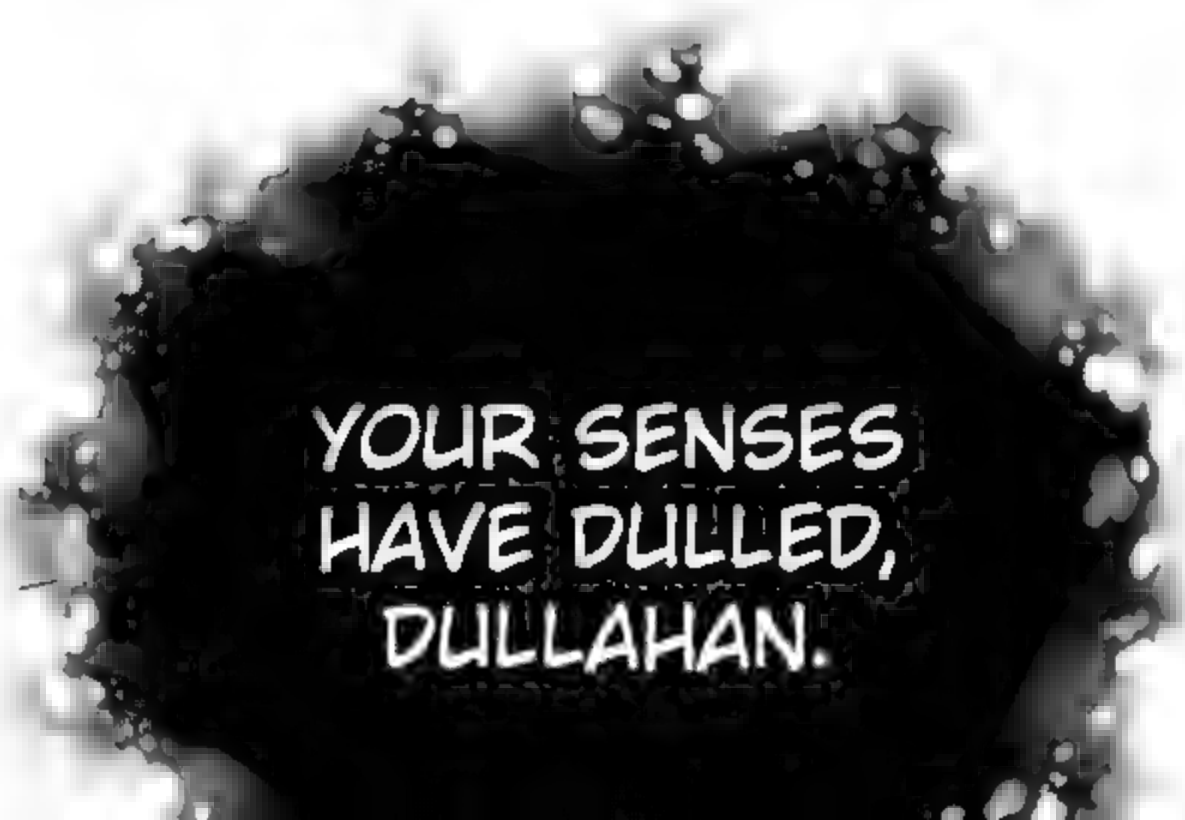


ooo



A comic book panel showing a character's face in the top right corner, with a speech bubble coming from them. The rest of the panel is white.

DON'T
CHANGE THE
SUBJECT!

A dark, jagged, ink-blot-like shape with a rough, splattered edge, containing white text.

YOUR SENSES
HAVE DULLED,
DULLAHAN.





THE...

THE
CROW CAN
TALK?!





YOU'RE...

WHOOSH





...MORIAN?!

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